

National Women's Register: Canterbury Group 2 Programme - April 2024 – August 2025

NWR is an international organisation of women's discussion groups. Meetings take place on alternate Wednesday afternoons, are very informal, and usually held in people's homes where you will find a warm welcome whatever your age or personal circumstances. Meetings are lively, fun and never boring.

Local Organisers (LO): Frances Adams and Christine Tadd

Treasurer: Anita Lundy Overton

Meetings begin at 1pm unless otherwise indicated. The meetings will be led by Frances or Chris if neither are present the host will deputise and lead the meeting.

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| DATE | TITLE |
| 3 rd April | Research the colour RED. Do you love it or hate it, and what is the significance of the colour to you? |
| 17 th April | Growing absenteeism of children from school. How great is the problem and how can it be fixed. Come along and join in the discussion. |
| 1 st May | Women of courage. This can include women spies or those who during the war did courageous acts or someone who has shown tremendous courage. Talk a little about a woman who you think has shown great courage. |
| 15 th May | What makes you laugh. Tell us about what is that has made you chuckle or really made you laugh out loud. It may be a book, a film or perhaps a TV programme. |
| 29 th May | The NWR country this year is the Caribbean. Research something about the Caribbean, for instance a particular island, it's food or it's culture or perhaps if you have been lucky enough to visit the Caribbean. Tell us about your experience. |
| 12 th June | Is it time for Great Britain to introduce Identity Cards? Should we have compulsory DNA testing? Come along with your ideas and views for a lively discussion. |
| 26 th June | A visit to Goodnestone Park and Gardens Visit the gardens at Goodnestone Park which in June should be an abundance of colour. It also has a lovely tea room. Meeting time to be arranged nearer the date. |
| 10 th July | A visit to Hythe. Tricia has kindly agreed to host us for an afternoon visit to Hythe. Further details nearer the time. |
| 24 th July | ? Summer party |
| 7 th August | Call My Bluff Prepare 3 definitions of an obscure word to present to the opposing team. The more amusing the better. We will work in teams to try to identify the word's correct meaning. |
| 21st August | ? no meeting or suggest tea at a garden centre or picnic in Dane John gardens if people are available. |
| 4 th Sept | Your Birthday! Research someone who has the honour of sharing your special day and tell us about him/her. |

| 18 th Sept | Changes in shopping habits Are we conscious of a change in our shopping habits? Has climate change had an effect on this? Do we shop more or less? Do we now buy different things? |
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| 2 ND Oct | The Big Read - Windrush Read the book Mother Country - Stories of the Windrush Children and join in the discussion of the impact the Windrush Generation has made on our lives in Britain |
| 16 th Oct | Current Affairs Bring along a topic or item from this week's news that has interested you or caught your attention and present it to the group for comments. |
| 30 th Oct | Origins of your Surname or Family name. Research the origins of your surname/family name and tell the group what you have discovered about your name and if possible where it originated from. |
| 13 th Nov | Quiz Bring along 5{or 10} questions on a particular subject or general knowledge to put to the group. |
| 27 th Nov | Women Inventors Research a woman that has invented something that you think has been important to you or the country. |
| 11 th Dec | ? Christmas Party |
| 2025 | |
| Jan 8th | Hat Debate Bring along a topic to discus. Topics will be written down and placed in a hat and chosen at random to discuss. |
| Jan 22nd | Planning Meeting for 2025-2026 Come with ideas so we can produce an interesting and exciting programme for the next year. The LO's for the next year will lead this meeting. |
| 5 th Feb | Addiction and it's consequences. What is addiction and how do you become an addict? Discuss how a person's addiction can affect their family, their work and their general wellbeing. |
| 19 th Feb | Favourite City. Tell the group about your favourite city and the reasons why you have chosen it. Or chose a city you would most like to visit and tell us why. |
| 5 th March | Transgender Broad term to describe people whose gender identity is different to the gender given at birth. How are they perceived in the 21st century? What problems do they face in schools, work, their families, or in the wider community. |
| 19 th March | House of Lords Discuss the House of Lords. Should it be reduced? Do we need it? Should the honours given out be scaled back? Come along for a lively debate/discussion. |

Book Group – meets in person monthly on 4^{th} Wednesday at 2.30pm, welcome--- contact Lynne

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